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In re Application of :
France et al. :
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This is in response to the request, filed April 1, 2008, to expunge Information from the above identified application.

Applicants requests that the response filed herewith with Traverse and with remarks directed to Species be considered above the previous response filed, April 1, 2008, and that the previous response be expunged from the record. Petitioner states either: (A) that the information contains trade secret material, proprietary material and/or material that is subject to a protective order which has not been made public; or (B) that the information submitted was unintentionally submitted and the failure to obtain its return would cause irreparable harm to the party who submitted the information or to the party in interest on whose behalf the information was submitted, and the information has not otherwise been made public.

The response described is an incomplete response to a restriction requirement. This document has no bearing on the determination of patentability of this application. In view of this determination, expungement of the information is appropriate. The file entry for this document has been closed and as such the document is no longer publicly available, which is the IFW equivalent to removal of a paper document from a paper file wrapper.

Therefore, applicants' request is **GRANTED**.

Should there be any questions with respect to this decision, please contact Marianne C. Seidel by mail addressed to: Director, Technology Center 1600, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, or by telephone at 571-272-0584 or by facsimile transmission at general Office facsimile number.


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